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SUBJECT: US REQUEST FOR POLLACK QUOTAS IN SOVIET ZONE

REF: (A) MOSCOW 2377, (B) STATE 41699

1. DURING CONVERSATION REPORTED IN REF A SCICOUNS
INFORMED OLEG KHLESTOV, CHIEF OF MFA TREATY AND LEGAL
DIVISION, THAT US HAS APPLIED FOR QUOTAS WITHIN THE
SOVIET 200 MILE ZONE (REF B), AND INQUIRED ABOUT PROCEDURES
WHICH FOREIGN FISHERMEN SHOULD FOLLOW IN SEEKING QUOTAS
WITHIN THE SOVIET ZONE. KHLESTOV APPEARED TO BE
UNINFORMED ABOUT THE US REQUEST (AT FIRST HE ASSERTED
THAT THE SUBJECT WAS PURELY THEORETICAL), BUT HE LATER
NOTED THAT SCICOUNS'S REQUEST SHOULD BE DIRECTED TOWARD
THE MINISTRY OF FISHERIES (MINFISH). WHEN
SCICOUNS REPLIED THAT MINFISH HAD ALREADY TOLD US THAT
MFA HAD RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUCH MATTERS, KHLESTOV
REFERRED US TO THE USA DIVISION OF MFA. KHLESTOV
ALSO NOTED THAT BECAUSE SOVIET 200 MILE ZONE WAS
INTRODUCED AS A TEMPORARY MEASURE, PENDING FINAL
RESOLUTION OF THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE, AS FAR AS
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HE IS AWARE NO SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES HAVE
BEEN SET UP TO HANDLE REQUESTS FROM FOREIGN FISHERMEN
SEEKING QUOTAS WITHIN THE SOVIET ZONE AND SUCH REQUESTS
WILL BE HANDLED ON AN AD HOC BASIS.

2. COMMENT: SOVIET RUN-AROUND OUTLINED IN PARA ONE
WAS OCCASIONED BY OUR INFORMAL, ORAL REQUEST FOR A COPY

OF A FEBRAURY 24, 1977 DECREE OF THE USSR COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS, "ON THE INTRODUCTION OF TEMPORARY MEASURES
FOR THE CONSERVATION OF LIVING RESOURCES AND THE
REGULATION OF FISHING IN THE REGIONS OF THE PACIFIC AND
THE ARCTIC OCEANS," WHOSE ADOPTION WAS ANNOUNCED IN
"IZVESTIYA" OF THE SAME DAY. (THE DECREE WAS PUBLISHED
ISSUE NUMBER 11 OF "THE COLLECTED DECREES OF THE GOVERN-
MENT OF THE USSR," HOWEVER EMBASSY COPY WAS DESTROYED
DURING FIRE. US REQUEST FOR QUOTAS HAS GIVEN MORE CURRENCY
TO QUESTION OF SOVIET FISHERIES REGULATIONS WITHIN THEIR
200 MILE ZONE. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING COPY OF
FEBRUARY 24 DECREE FROM DEPARTMENT, IF IT IS AVAILABLE.)
PLEASE ADVISE. IF THE DECREE IS NOT AVAILABLE IN
WASHINGTON WE WILL AGAIN REQUEST COPY FROM SOVIETS.
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